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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

A bill has been introduced in the Senate to repeal the bankruptcy law. —— The case of Mrs. Bonine, on trial for the murder of Ayres, will probably go to the jury to-morrow. —— Senator Morgan introduced a bill providing for the construction of the Nicaragua canal. —— The House committees were announced by Speaker Henderson. —— Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, a widow, was found unconscious in her room, Washington, D. C., with her skull fractured and other injuries. —— Gen. Collins, Democrat, for Mayor of Boston, Mass., defeats Mayor Hart, Republican. —— The family of Nellie Cropsey now believe that the girl is dead. —— G. L. Powell and J. S. Overstreet, two naval stores manufacturers in Florida, shot and killed each other. —— Wayne, W. Va., almost wiped out by fire. —— New York markets: Money on call was firm at 5½@8 per cent., last loan at 6 per cent., ruling rate 6 per cent.; cotton quiet at 8½c; flour unchanged but easier in tone; wheat—spot easier; No. 2 red 88½c; corn—spot easier; No. 2, 72½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady at 38@38½c.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 10.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 45 degrees; 8 P. M., 50 degrees; maximum, 66 degrees; minimum, 45 degrees; mean, 56 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .05; rainfall since 1st of the month to date, 2.36 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 3 8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—For North Carolina: Fair and cold Wednesday; Thursday, cloudy and warmer; light variable winds.

Port Almanac—December 11.

Sun Rises	7.00 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 46 M.
High Water at Southport	7.38 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	10.08 P. M

Our private opinion is that if Senators Tillman and McLaurin have any soiled linen to wash they had better do it at home—and in their back yards.

King Edward took some ribbons on cattle exhibited at one of the English cattle shows. The King's cattle, being royal stock, always stand a good showing at these shows.

Some New Jersey Judges are accommodating. Recently one of them fined a man $334 for criminal libel and let him pay it on the instalment plan, paying a dollar a day.

Some men don't care how much trouble they give people. "Bud" Wilson was hanged at Little Rock, Ark., last Friday. When they put him in the coffin he showed signs of life and they had to take him out and hang him again.

The Standard Oil Company is gradually getting its clamps on the Beaumont oil wells. It has already secured control of some of the best of them, and it will be only a question of time when it will have all of the best of them.

A Vermont court has decided that the influence of a newspaper can't be sold to a candidate for office because it is "against good policy." That court holds that the editor of a paper belongs to the public and can't make merchandise of the products of his brain.

When office seekers interview President Roosevelt he objects to being cornered and whispered to. He talks loudly himself and insists on every one who has anything to say to him talking loud enough to be heard by every one in the room. This knocks out a good many stories, some lies and saves time.

A young woman's anti-tobacco league, organized in an Ohio town, which pledged the members not to associate with young men who used tobacco, has disbanded. They found that it was about as hard to do without the young men as it was for the young men to do without tobacco. They should have been content with drawing the line on cigarette.

A decree for the gradual abolition of slavery in East Africa has been promulgated. It provides that the master shall give the slaves two days in each week to work for himself to earn money to buy his freedom. It also provides for the care of the slaves in sickness and old age. That's better than rushing it blind like the United States Government did when it turned four millions loose without any provision whatever.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy

LOCAL DOTS.

— Christian Science services in the Masonic Temple, room 10, this evening at 8 o'clock.

— Contributions to the National McKinley Memorial fund are being received at the local postoffice.

— Schooner *M. C. Haskell*, Capt. A. E. Wingfield, St. Thomas, W. I., to Wilmington, put in at Charleston for harbor and is expected here to-day.

— The Clyde Liner *Oneida* arrived at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Capt. Hale in command. She will clear at daybreak this morning for Georgetown, S. C.

— The magistrates of the county are called by Chairman D. McEachern, of the Board of Commissioners, to meet at the Court House to-morrow noon for consideration of the hospital appropriation matter.

— License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. James E. Marshburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Marshburn, of Catherine Lake, Onslow county, and Miss Amanda Irene Benton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Benton, of this city.

— Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Dudley Purnell, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Thos. R. Purnell, to Mr. John Sasser McKee, at 7 P. M., December 11th, at the residence, No. 508 Fayetteville street, Raleigh, N. C.

— The entire cargo of oranges arriving on the schooner *Mabel Darling* yesterday from Nassau, has been purchased by the B. F. Keith Company, who offer them for sale this morning. The fruit is especially fine and will be sold at very reasonable prices.

— Mr. James Swann, of New York, who is a guest of Col. Murchison at that famous retreat, Orton plantation, writes to a friend in the city that some fine sport with hounds and gun is being had. Monday Mr. Swann, in company with Col. Murchison, after a two-hours' chase, captured one of the finest and most cunning foxes that inhabit the celebrated preserve.

Prof. Cameron Certain Dead.

News reached the city yesterday of the sudden death Friday night at Warsaw of Prof. Cameron Certain, the well known musician and music teacher, who often visited Wilmington. Prof. Certain had spent the evening with friends at Warsaw and retired to his bed apparently as well as usual. About 11 o'clock members of the family with whom he boarded were aroused by groans from his room and upon reaching his bedside found him gasping for breath. He expired in a few minutes. He was buried on Sunday at Elliott's, N. C. Prof. Certain was a native of Southport, and often visited in Wilmington, where news of his death will be received with regret.

Perhaps a Mule Thief.

A white man, who reached the city Monday brought with him a mule, which he was very anxious to sell. He offered the animal to Mr. F. T. Mills, who refused to buy on account of the price, which was suspicious. The man then took the mule to Mr. J. C. Blackley, at Davis' stables, on Market street. There he did not get the purchase price for the mule for about the same reason, but he left the animal and left the stables himself for some part of the city and has not since returned. The question with the liverymen is to whom does the mule belong and why the strange actions of the man?

"The Labadies" Last Night.

The third attraction in the "Association Course" was given last night at the Y. M. C. A. "The Labadies," consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Labadies, were seen at their best, and entertained in a most pleasing manner the large crowd that was assembled to greet them. Their reception was very gratifying and they go away knowing they made many friends by their appearance before a Wilmington audience. Those who heard them last year were most enthusiastic in the applause.

The Underwriters' Injunction.

The hearing by Judge Allen at Kenansville Monday night of the injunction proceedings brought by the Wilmington Underwriters' Insurance Company, of this city, against the Sheriff, estopping him from collecting certain taxes, was postponed until Saturday night of this week. Judge Allen is expected to come to Wilmington to spend Sunday prior to going to Burgaw Monday to hold court, and will most probably take that occasion to hear the case.

Gen. Toon's Condition.

A special to the STAR last night says: "There is a slight change for the better reported in Gen. Toon's condition to-night as compared with last night. He is still, however, desperately ill."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Justices of Peace—Meeting.
J. C. Blackley—To the public.
J. T. Burke—A Cut on Jewellry.
H. J. Bierman & Co.—This week.
Opera House—Belle of New York.
B. F. Keith Co.—Cargo of oranges.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Ten salesladies.

— A. W. McLean, Esq., of Lumberton, N. C., was in the city yesterday.

HOSPITAL MANAGERS

Very Important Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board Held Yesterday Morning.

SCHOOL FOR TRAINED NURSES

Change in Plan of Employment—Miss Heller, of McKeesport, Pa., Arrived. Committee to Go North to Arrange for Equipment

The Board of Managers of the James Walker Memorial Hospital met in the building, corner Rankin and Dickinson streets, yesterday morning and transacted much business of vital importance to the institution. It was the regular monthly meeting of the Board and in the absence of Colonel Warren G. Elliott, the president, Capt. Walter G. MacRae, the vice-president, presided. Those in attendance were Dr. C. P. Bolles, secretary, Mr. M. S. Willard, Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., Mr. Dewitt C. Love and Dr. Thos. R. Little, the superintendent.

Among the important items of business transacted was the consolidation of the positions of matron and head nurse and the appointment to fill the new offices of Miss L. M. Heller, of McKeesport, Pa. Miss Heller arrived about ten days ago from her home and has already taken charge. She has a wide experience in the line of work in which she is engaged and the Board of Managers have decided to co-operate with her in the establishment of a training school for nurses, which will be the only institution of its kind in this section of the South.

At the meeting yesterday it was decided to employ another skilled nurse to assist Miss Heller in the work, and Dr. Little, the superintendent, was appointed to arrange for her employ.

Necessarily, after the meeting at the Court House Monday, much of the discussion was relative to a proper furnishing of the new hospital. The Board appeared gratified at the prospect for the city and county appropriation of the $6,000 for equipment. The general welfare of the hospital was discussed in enthusiastic terms and it was decided by the Board to spare neither time nor money to make the institution one of the foremost of its kind in the South—a credit to the city, county and State. A committee consisting of Dr. Little, Dr. Geo G. Thomas and Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., was appointed to go North this week and make all arrangements for the purchase of the equipment.

Other business before the Board yesterday consisted of an official inspection of the premises; the receiving of the regular monthly report of Dr. Little, the superintendent, and the adoption of by-laws as presented by Mr. M. S. Willard for the government of the Board.

Regular meetings of the Hospital Managers will in the future be held on the second Tuesday in each month.

A Great Fire Department.

The unquestioned efficiency of Wilmington's splendid paid fire department was evidenced yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock in responding to an alarm from box 25, Front and Grace streets. A defective gas pipe under a window sill at the music house of Mr. S. A. Schloss caused a small smouldering blaze which wrought about $5 damage. The alarm was sent in by Mr. James E. Holton, who held his watch to time the department. In two minutes and twenty-five seconds after the lever in the box was pressed down, Chemical Engine No. 1, Fourth near Dock street, had hooked up its two horses at the station, came out of the house, ran seven blocks and entered the building with a hose. It may be well said that every one of the five companies in the department is up to that same standard.

Property Transfer to Grandson.

By deed of date December 9th, 1897 and filed yesterday for record, the late Dr. Wm. W. Harriss transferred to his grandson, Francis Green Harriss, a parcel of land containing fifty acres, more or less, and beginning at the head of Beery's mill pond, on the Sound; consideration $1 and love and affection for the relative. In the event of the death of Francis Green Harriss previous to his arriving at the age of 21 years, the property is to revert to another grandson, Meares Harriss, and in the event of his death prior to the age of 21 years, the property is tranferred to James White Harriss, son of Thos. B. Harriss, of Savannah, Ga., also a grandson of Dr. W. W. Harriss.

New Ice Factory.

The new factory of the Independent Ice Company, one and a half stories in height and covering a large area of ground, was begun yesterday by Contractor F. A. Applegate at Seventh and Brunswick streets. A large force of carpenters and bricklayers are engaged and the building will be far enough advanced Jan. 1st for the manufacturers to begin the installation of machinery.

Annual W. L. I. Election.

Officers of the Wilmington Light Infantry for the ensuing year were elected at the annual meeting of the company Monday night as follows: President, J. McRee Hatch; vice president, J. B. Peschau; secretary and treasurer, E. Payson Willard; armory and finance committee, A. P. Adrian, C. M. Butler and F. N. Pinner.

SCHEDULE CHANGE WANTED.

Produce Exchange Asks Coast Line to Hold Morning Train at Goldsboro for Connection With Southern.

At the special meeting of the Produce Exchange held yesterday afternoon for consideration of the Bankruptcy Act, the question of a more favorable schedule on the morning train from Goldsboro via the Atlantic Coast line, was introduced by Messrs. J. Allen Taylor and L. B Rogers.

It was suggested that since the Southern has again put on the morning train from Raleigh, Selma, Smithfield and other points contiguous to the line, an improvement could be made to mail and passenger service if the Coast Line would hold its train which leaves Goldsboro at 6:45 A. M., until after the arrival of the Southern train from Raleigh at 7:30 o'clock. This would only be 45 minutes later, and the Coast Line has no connection to make here. It would enable passengers to leave Raleigh and other points in the morning and get to Wilmington by 10 o'clock. Besides this improvement the people in the towns between Goldsboro and Wilmington would have time in the morning to arrange their business for the day before leaving for Wilmington to spend the day. It was shown that the schedule would open up a new field to Wilmington merchants, who could be visited by buyers from a new territory with the least possible inconvenience and delay.

President Pearsall referred the matter to the Railroad Transportation Committee, consisting of Messrs. C. W. Worth, S. P. McNair, G. J. Boney, H. L. Vollers and J. T. King. He said that he had no idea but that the railroad authorities would gladly make the change if requested, as at present they were most probably under the impression that Wilmington merchants desired the train to get here as early as possible and it was in deference to the business men that the train was operated on the present schedule. The committee was empowered to act jointly with other committees that may be named to this end.

BIG POLICE COURT DOCKET.

Offenders Were Many and Their Misdemeanors for Most Part Aggravated.

Mayor Waddell had quite an array of offenders at the bar of his court yesterday noon.

Alex. Griffin was charged with driving on the sidewalks and when arrested a pistol was found on his person. For driving on the sidewalk, judgment was suspended, but for carrying a concealed weapon the offender was bound over to Superior Court in a bond of $25, which was given.

Thos. Lint and Adolph Anderson, seamen from aboard the revenue cutter, were ashore Monday night. Lint was drunk and disorderly and was fined $5; Anderson interfered with the officer in making the arrest and was fined $10.

John McKoy was fined $2.15 and costs for assault and battery.

John Davis was disorderly in jumping on and off railroad cars on the A. C. L. yards. He was sent to the roads for 20 days.

John Odom and another young white man were charged with an unprovoked assault upon D. H. Speight, of Goldsboro, at Front and Market streets Monday night. They were each fined $25 and costs or sentenced to the county roads for 20 days. In another case against defendants for non payment of old costs, one was given 20 days on the roads and Odom 30 days.

The prisoners, six in all, from the mayor's court in the past few days, were sent to the roads last night.

"THE BELLE OF NEW YORK."

Sixty Merry Singers and Dancers, Company of Comedians and Two Car Loads of Scenery and Effects.

"The Belle of New York," with its laurels won abroad and with its remarkable record of 2,000 performances, is again making a tour of this country and will be seen at the Opera House on next Monday night, Dec. 16th.

The part of the demure Salvation Army lassie, whose fascinating face is framed by a becoming poke-bonnet, is again interpreted by Miss Beulah Dodge, who has made a great success in this role. Miss Dodge is extremely pretty and she possesses a most beautiful voice. Mr. Edward J. Connelly is still playing his original part of the elder Bronson and Joseph Kane will be seen as the polite lunatic. Dainty Mae Sailer is playing fife and Arthur Deagon is the "Blinkey Bill" of the company.

Throughout the cast the familiar names of last season will be found and the management announces that an entirely new investiture of scenery and costumes will be seen. "The Belle" depends largely upon its singing chorus, as this Morton-Kerker masterwork must be well rendered to be appreciated, and this department is said to be even better than it was a year ago. Seats on sale Friday morning at 7 o'clock at Gerken's. Prices, $1.50 and $1.00; general admission, 75c.

The Merchants' Association.

There will be a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Merchants' Association this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in their office in the Seaboard Air Line building. Every director is expected to be present promptly. Business of much importance will come before the meeting.

I am sorry that so many people seemed to have mistaken my advertisement in this paper last week. I am giving away a $10 lamp absolutely free to purchasers at my store. J. T. Burke, the jeweller, 27 South Front street.

BANKRUPTCY LAW.

Many Features Are Not Adapted to the Best Interests of Business Men.

REMEDIES BEING SOUGHT.

Produce Exchange of Wilmington at Meeting Yesterday Adopted Very Comprehensive and Able Report From Its Law Committee.

The National Bankruptcy Law in its present form and adaptability to the business world was the subject of main discussion at a special meeting of the Produce Exchange yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Mr. P. Pearsall, the president, was in the chair, and those present were Col. Cantwell, the secretary, Col. Walker Taylor, Messrs. R. H. Pickett, H. K. Nash, Wm. Calder, J. A. Taylor, S. P. McNair, H. C. McQueen, D. L. Gore, L. B. Rogers, J. A. Springer and John E. Crow.

The Bankruptcy Act is just now the subject of much unfavorable criticism all over the United States in many of its features and business men are beginning concerted action to induce the present Congress to remedy many of the defects. The question was brought to the attention of the local Produce Exchange several weeks ago and was referred to the Law Committee for investigation. The committee at the meeting yesterday presented a very comprehensive report, which, upon motion of Mr. S. P. McNair, was adopted and copies of the same ordered sent to North Carolina's Senators and Congressmen with a request to use their best endeavor to secure the remedies suggested. Mr. Rogers had incorporated in the motion a request that other commercial bodies in the State take similar action.

The report presented as follows was prepared by Mr. J. Allen Taylor, and read by Mr. Wm. Calder, the two comprising the Law Committee:

The objects sought to be attained by a bankruptcy law are the relief of unfortunate debtors from hopeless insolvency and the equitable distribution of assets among creditors. Just so much as the law fails to accomplish these ends, just so much it wants of justification, and the remedy should be to mend, rather than to end, the law. Should the agitation now going on result in the repeal of the bankruptcy law the consequences would be most serious and far reaching. It is the history of bankruptcy laws in this country that their repeal has been demanded and accomplished before the laws had been sufficiently tried, or were adequately understood, by the business public. Each repeal of the law has been followed by a long interval under State insolvency laws, ever resulting in uncertainty, want of uniformity, and the most inequitable distribution of the assets of insolvents, until the aggravation of the evil has invariably forced the enactment of a new national bankruptcy law. Before the present bankruptcy law was put on the statute books there were only 18 States that had insolvency laws competent to secure equitable distribution of assets among creditors; in 28 States the debtor could distribute his assets as he saw fit by voluntary conveyance through a trustee or assignee of his own choosing, and in 33 States and territories the debtor could secure some, and exclude the rest of his creditors from any participation whatever in his assets, thus leaving the unprotected creditor helpless and hopeless. Under the bankruptcy law all these inequities are rendered difficult, and practically impossible. Every creditor now stands on an equal footing, and the advantage so generally obtained by the large creditor under State laws is now no longer an evil of the present situation. It is authoritatively stated that more than 40,000 persons have become voluntary bankrupts within the past two years, and that between 600 millions and 700 millions of indebtedness have thus been wiped out. It is estimated that 95 per cent. of the voluntary bankrupts were practically without assets, so that their discharge worked no actual loss to creditors. As respects cost of administration, statistics show that the average for voluntary cases is under $40, and only about $210 for involuntary. As respects voluntary petitions, however, this showing cannot be relied on as a safe criterion for the future, because, as has been seen, a great majority of the voluntary cases were without assets, and consequently were not attended by contest. While, therefore a higher cost of administration for the future may be reasonably expected this is more than balanced by the certainty that a different class of debtors will hereafter seek the benefit of the law, and that creditors will receive more substantial results than heretofore.

There is a popular demand for amendments to the law, and House Bill 14,187, known as the Ray Bill, covers some of the needed amendments; but the amendment proposed by this Bill of section 57, sub section C, in relation to preferred payments, is in our judgment too far-reaching. The language of this amendment is fairly open to the construction that any transfer of property within four months of the insolvency of a debtor, and which has been received by a creditor innocently, shall be allowed to stand. The amendment we think should distinguish between payments received in the regular and ordinary course of business, and the transfer of real estate or personal property by legal conveyance. We think this distinction is clear and vital, and while the proposition may be open to the objection that an unscrupulous debtor could prefer his relatives or friends by payments in the regular course of business, yet this objection is not entitled to such weight, because it is fair to assume that the majority of business men are honest. The court of last resort has construed section 57, sub-section G, as condemning all partial payments innocently received by a creditor within four months of the insolvency of the debtor, by failing to distinguish between partial payments received in the regular course of business and the transfer by legal conveyance of other forms of property. Equity would be more nearly attained by amending the law so as to permit partial payments innocently received in the regular course of business within four months of insolvency to stand withyut prejudice, while vacating all transfers by legal conveyance of other forms of property within the four months' limit. The statute is silent as to payments in full, so that the more completely a creditor is preferred the more absolute the protection under the law. This really involves an absurdity from the standpoint of equity, and if this provision of the law is to stand, then exact justice on the basis of a pro rata distribution of assets among creditors demands that all innocently received payments made within four months of insolvency should be returned to the estate. To attempt such an amendment would unquestionably result in the repeal of the law, so that the only way whereby exact justice can be secured to all creditors alike is to amend the law by giving undisputed title to partial payments innocently received.

With the law amended as hereinafter suggested great and permanent good will accrue to the creditor class, for it is to be presumed that the business public would never consent to return to chaotic State insolvency laws when such a large proportion of the business of the country is interested; and it will be admitted that interstate interests cannot be adequately safeguarded except through the medium of a Federal law. As respects the recommendation that partial payments be defined, of course this suggestion will have no standing if the proposed amendment respecting preferred payments is enacted into law.

To sum up the advantages of a National bankruptcy law over State insolvency laws the following are suggested: (1) The assets of a debtor are put more completely under the control of the creditors. (2) The possibility of fraud is reduced to the minimum. (3) The cost of administering an estate is substantially smaller. (4) Dividends to creditors are materially larger. (5) All creditors are treated on exact equality. (6) In the Federal court an innocent debtor has nothing to fear and a fraudulent debtor nothing to hope. (7) The fraudulent debtor is refused a discharge from his liabilities, while the innocent debtor enjoys complete emancipation from the debts.

Your committee respectfully recommend that the following amendments to the bankruptcy law be endorsed by your body. (1) So as to make it more difficult for fraudulent debtors to obtain discharges by adding as causes for refusal to grant discharge, destroying, concealing or failing to keep such books of account or records, as are usual and proper in the conduct of the business carried on by the debtor. Bankruptcy brought on or contributed to by the debtors' rash and hazardous speculation, or by unjustifiable extravagance in living, or by gambling or by culpable neglect of his business affairs. Failure of a bankrupt to give satisfactory account of the distribution of his property within twelve months of insolvency. (3) So as to make it clear what constitutes partial payments. (3) So as to give Federal courts jurisdiction on exact equality with the State courts. (4) So as to empower the referee to bring into court creditors who have received fraudulent preferences without the cumbersome and costing process of suing to recover preferred payments. (5) So as to distinguish between partial payments made to an innocent creditor in the regular course of business within four months of insolvency of a debtor, and a transfer of property by mortgage, or other legal conveyance. Respectfully submitted,

WM. CALDER,
J. A. TAYLOR
Committee.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.

Bellamy Appointed On Largest Number of Any North Carolinian.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, Congressman from the Sixth District, and other North Carolina Representatives, fared well at the hands of Speaker Henderson yesterday in the appointment of the more important House committees. Mr. Bellamy was favored with a place on the committees on Education, Manufactures and Irrigation of Arid Lands; Mr. Small on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; Mr. Kluttz on Census and on Manufactures; Mr. Moody on Agriculture and on Election of President; Mr. Thomas on Public Buildings and Lands; Mr. Kitchin on Claims and Naval Affairs; Mr. Blackburn Chairman of Election Committee No. 2 and on District of Columbia; Mr. Pou on Reform In Civil Service.

The committee on Rivers and Harbors in which people of the coast will be deeply interested, is composed of Messrs. Burton, Ohio; Reeves, Illinois; Dovenor, West Virginia; Bishop, Michigan; Acheson, Pennsylvania; Morris, Minnesota; Alexander, New York; Tongue, Oregon; Lawrence, Massachusetts, Davidson, Wisconsin; MacLaightan, California; Lester, Georgia; Bankhead, Alabama; McCulloch, Arkansas; Sparkman, Florida; Ball, Texas; Ransdell, Louisiana.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Messrs. A. E. White, J. M. Buie and D. W. Millsaps, of Lumberton, were here yesterday.

— Mrs. Jno. D. Taylor has returned from Richmond, Va., where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Borden.

— Mr. W. N. Cronly, special agent of the New York Life Insurance Company, arrived in the city from Clinton yesterday.

— Jno. H. Gore, Jr., Esq., was able to be at his office yesterday after an illness of several days during which he was confined to his home.

— Mr. Frank L. Huggins will leave this morning for Salisbury, where he will join Mrs. Huggins for a visit to friends and relatives in Knoxville, Tenn.

— Miss Stroupe, of Winston, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Harper, for some time, returned home yesterday.

— Mr. J. D. Woodroe, now a stenographer in the office of the Commissary General, U. S. A., Washington, D. C., but recently with the Plant System at Savannah, Ga., returned yesterday to his home.

We will deliver all photographs taken this week before Christmas unless the weather is very bad next week. Taylor's Studio.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A Cut Down

On Ladies' and Gents' Solid, Gold-Filled and Silver Watches,

Fancy Clocks, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Diamond, Ruby and other Set Rings, Brooch Pins, fine Cut Glass and a general assortment of goods handled in the Jewelery line to select a Present from at reduced prices at

J. T. BURKE'S,
The Jeweller,
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BANANAS
15c Per Dozen.
Florida Oranges
35 and 40c Per Dozen.
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FRESH MADE CANDY 15c per pound.
J. W. PLUMMER, Jr.,
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dec 7 tf Inter-state 182.

MEETING OF THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

A meeting of the Justices of the Peace of New Hanover County will be held at the Court House on Thursday, December 12th, at 12 o'clock M., for consideration of important business. A full attendance is desired

By order of the Board of County Commissioners.

D. McEACHERN,
Chairman.
dec 11 1t

TO THE PUBLIC.

On December 9, 1901, I purchased from a man representing himself as a Mr. Fisher from Duplin County an iron Grey Horse Mule about 6 or 7 years old. I told Fisher to come back in half an hour and get his money. He told me to pay it to his friend Powell Horne, whom he left there to bring him the money. After talking with Horne I found out that he and Fisher were strangers. I then refused to pay him, but told him to go and get Fisher. Horne then went off, and came back, stating that he had told Fisher what I said. I have not seen Fisher since.

The owner can prove property, pay for this advertisement and I will surrender the mule.

J. C. BLACKLEY,
Davis' Stables, Wilmington, N. C.
dec 11 1w*

Execution Sale.

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the superior Court of New Hanover county in an action wherein the Chicago Organ company is plaintiff and Robert Bronson defendant I will on Monday, the 6 h day of January 1902 at 12 o'clock M. at the Court House door of said county, sell to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said execution, all the right, title and interest which the said Robert Bronson, defendant, has in the following described real estate, to-wit: Beginning in the western line of Twelfth street 30 feet from the northwestern intersection of Dock and Twelfth streets, and running thence northwardly with said western line of Twelfth street 40 feet; thence west wardly and parallel with Dock street 60 feet; thence southwardly and parallel with Twelfth street 40 feet; thence eastwardly and parallel with Dock street 60 feet to the western line of Twelfth street, the beginning, the same being parts of lots 4 and 5 in Block No. 160, in the city of Wilmington, N. C.

FRANK H STEDMAN,
dec 4 4t wo Sheriff.

SALE.

By virtue of the power vested in me by the will of the late Ella E. VanOrsdell, I will expose for sale by public auction, for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, in the City of Wilmington, N. C., on Thursday, the 19th day of December, 1901, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following described lots of Land situate in said city, to-wit:

One lot on the eastern side of Sixth street 16½ feet south of Dock street, fronting on Sixth street 45 feet and running back that width 66 feet, being the western part of Lot 4, block 144. One other lot on the eastern side of Eighth street 46 feet north of Orange street, fronting 70 feet on Eighth street, and running back that width 7½ feet, being the western part of Lots 5 and 6, Block 146. Right reserved to reject any and all bids. For further particulars apply to

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 11.

WILL THEY DO IT?

Opinion in Washington is divided as to whether Congress will pass Mr. Crumpacker's bill to reduce representation from the Southern States. That's what the bill really is, although it purports to be a bill for the re-apportionment of members of Congress. Of course every one who gives any attention to politics or to political movements understands the motive that inspires such legislation as the Crumpacker bill proposes. It is simply a movement to reduce, as far as possible, the representation of the South in Congress and in the electoral college, thus strengthen the Republican party's grip on the National Government, and at the same time make the Government more sectional than it has been since the days of reconstruction. It ought to be entitled "a bill to neutralize the political power of the South, and make the Democratic party a competitor no longer to be feared."

But will they pass it? They can, if they determine to do it, make it apply to the South and make a strictly party issue of it. But can they do that? With what consistency, if they have any regard for consistency, can they demand a reduction of Southern representation, when there are Northern and Western States which restrict suffrage in the same way Southern States do? In several of those States voters must be able to read and write and must have paid their poll tax before they can vote, and no Southern State demands any more than that. Nobody ever heard any protests against these laws until some of the States in the South, following the example of those States, prescribed qualifications which would protect them from the ignorant, vile and venal mob. Then objection was made. Why? Because it so happens that the class disfranchised in the North were foreigners and belonged mainly to the Democratic party, while the disfranchised in the South were Republicans, at least presumed to be Republicans because their skin was black.

But it isn't the negro disfranchised nor what they call the unfairness of the Southern suffrage laws that is spurring them to action, but politics. They have a good working majority in this Congress, they may not have in the next, and possibly may not have any majority, so if they propose to do anything with this matter Crumpacker and his supporters think they had better avail themselves of their opportunity and do it while they can.

It is said that President Roosevelt is in favor of this scheme and will sign a bill for that purpose if it pass Congress. One of the reasons given for the opinion that he favors it is because he got nettled at the Southern criticisms and remarks on the Booker Washington dinner incident. This may or may not be, and this may or may not be a reason why the President favors that scheme if he does, but Roosevelt is a radical partisan and also a politician with a future, and he is not going to array himself against the majority of his party in Congress and arouse antagonism by refusing to sign a measure so purely political and intended to perpetuate the power of his party. On any pet measure of his own he might make a show of fight, but in a case like this, where he might have something to gain by acquiescing and nothing to lose, it is very likely he would fall in if he found that to be the sentiment of his party.

But it is not so certain that a majority of the Republican members may favor this scheme because the bill must apply to the whole country and that would take in several good Republican States and be practically a declaration to all the other States that they must not pass any laws to restrict suffrage of people who have'nt been convicted of some crime and paid the penalty by serving some time in jail, in a penitentiary, or with the public road brigades. It virtually means a declaration by the Republican majority in Congress that there shall be no reform in the suffrage laws and that however vile or vicious the mob may be its free swing at the ballot box must not be interfered with.

This may arouse some opposition in Northern States which have qualified suffrage laws and in other States where the advisability of some such laws has been discusskd so that Mr. Crumpacker may not be able to whip in the support he is counting on.

Some of them may be disposed to ask where is the need of all this when the Republican party has a practically solid North, and is almost certain to win again if it don't make some gross blunders to drive voters away from it? and there being no need why should such partisan discrimination be made against one section of the country, which has had recourse to the only feasible way of providing for honest, intelligent, respectable government? These questions will be asked by Democrats and by fair-minded Republicans.

But making the most of it, it is a foolish, ridiculous measure not worth the discussion it will provoke. It is uncertain and unsatisfactory, even if it were as just as its advocates claim it is. It is foolish because it revives sectional agitation which had almost disappeared, to the gratification of patriotic people North and South, and ridiculous for there is no stability about it. It is ridiculous to assume that when there is a light vote cast in the South, those who do not vote are disfranchised by law, when thousands of voters, some of each color, refuse to vote rather than pay the poll tax requisite, and thousands of others don't go to the polls because they do not take sufficient interest in the elections to go from home to the polling place. This is the case both North and South, while at another election much of this vote might be polled, making in the aggregate thousands more votes than in the preceding election. And yet Mr. Crumpacker would make the votes cast, and not the number of people the basis of representation. The whole scheme is so absurd, so ridiculous and depends so much on accident that the surprising thing is that it should meet with serious consideration, which it would not if it were not for the partisan politics there is in it.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Mr. James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner for this State, is doing his best to weed out and keep out the "underground" and "wild cat" companies that are doing or trying to do an unlawful business in the state, and are evading the payment of the license required by law. He has issued a circular in which he gives the names of about a dozen (but not all) which come under this head, and contends that companies which attempt to evade a State law and dodge the payment of a small license tax are not honest, and cannot be trusted, for if they would take unlawful advantage of the State so they would of people doing business with them. In the conclusion of his circular he says:

"Many of these companies have no assets or standing in their own States, and when they do a legitimate business, they have to pay taxes in their own and other States. This department has collected from licensed companies and paid into the State Treasury over $80,000 since the first of last April, and those companies not contributing to this fund do not deserve the patronage of the citizens of North Carolina.

"Printed lists of the companies licensed by the department are on file in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of each county and I will take pleasure in furnishing them to citizens of the State on application. Any information as to attempts of unlicensed companies to do business in the State will be appreciated by me Our law requires every company and every agent to be licensed by this department.

THE STAR has been an is an advocate of home insurance companies, and Commissioner Young's circular covers one of the points we have made in discussing this subject, namely, that there are many of these outside companies which have or seek business in the State of which our people know absolutely nothing as to standing or responsibility, their only sources of information being the agents these companies employ or the printed matter they issue, which, of course, always makes a seductive showing. Some people who insure in these outside companies sometimes do so and pay premiums without really knowing whether such company is actually in existence outside of the printed stuff sent out.

There ought to be insurance companies enough in the State, backed by home capital and managed by home people, to give all the insurance desired, and thus keep at home the large amount of money that annually goes away from home for this purpose.

A NEW RAILROAD LINE.

For several years there has been more or less talk about a railroad across the mountains into Tennessee, to connect with North Carolina roads having termini at some of our seaports. The following, clipped from the Asheville correspondence of the Raleigh *Post*, is the latest we have seen bearing upon this:

"It is authentically stated here today that the Tennessee and North Carolina Railway will extend their railway from East Tennessee through the mountains of Western North Carolina and connect with the Seaboard Air Line. The Tennessee & North Carolina road has already been completed 13 miles out of Newport and trains are now running out there every day. The present terminus is at Hartville, a station named after one of the builders of the road. The road is being built by Hart & Holloway, a Wheeling, W. Va., firm, to some timber lands in Cocke and Haywood counties. They have sold 30,000 acres to an Eastern firm and agreed to build the railroad to the State line, eighteen miles. Twelve miles are done and the other six are about ready for the ties and rails. It is understood now that this road is to be constructed on to Waynesville, with a view of connecting with the Seaboard Air Line. The scheme is to build from Waynesville to the nearest point on the Seaboard Air Line, sixty miles, then build from Newport via Sevierville to Knoxville.

Whether this embraces any of the schemes heretofore talked of we do not know, but the surprising thing is that when through rail route might be had between Western cities and our coast cities by filling in short gaps, that it has not been done.

There is another short gap between Mount Airy and the Virginia line by the filling in of which we would have a direct route from Wilmington to the West, and one of the shortest of all the lines on the map. Considerable progress had been made in grading this gap when the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley road became embarrassed and crippled in the financial crisis in 1892, and finally severed. The following up of that work and running the road through to connect with Virginia roads would add very much to the traffic and also to the development of that section of North Carolina.

An opinion has been expressed in the neighborhood in Virginia where Mr. Marx shot the three men who went to chastise him for an alleged insult to a young lady, that it was a case of jealousy. Marx was an attractive sort of a fellow, calculated to favorably impress a young woman, and there was another fellow in it who became jealous of the progress he was making with this young lady, and put up a job to drive him away from those pastures. Perhaps if he had known that Marx was such a good marksman he would have contrived some other plan of persuading him to leave.

BOOK NOTICES.

The December or "Christmas" number of *McClure's Magazine* is a very attractive one, with an interesting list of contents, nicely illustrated, some of the illustrations being in colors. Lovers of the drama will be especially interested in Clara Morris' sketch of Salvini, the great Italian actor. Published by The S. S. McClure Company, 141-155 East Twenty-fifth street, New York.

The Century Magazine for December is superb, filled with choice reading matter, beautifully and artistically illustrated. Many of the illustrations are in colors and all are fine. The younger readers especially will be interested in the Christmas articlesa and in "The Settlement of the West," which gives some idea of what the early settlers had to face. Published by The Century Company, Union Square, New York.

The reader will be delighted with the fine list of contents presented in the December number of *The Bookman*, which is beautifully illustrated. "Chronicle and Comment," one of the special features, gives much information in short space about celebrated actors, writers and others who have attracted attention in this and other countries, with pictures. Published by Dodd, Meade and Company, Fifth Avenue, New York.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— It is pleasing to observe that our tariff mongers have not the least sympathy with the purposes of the German tariff bill to increase duties on the wheat, corn, beef, pork and other products of the United States. Nothing would suit them so well as the Dingley tariff for the United States and free trade for all the rest of the world.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Messrs. Dick, of Ohio, and Moody, of Massachusetts, in making frantic efforts to curtail Southern representation in Congress, are merely stealing some of the political thunder that Mr. Crumpacker, of Indiana, had brought to Washington for his exclusive use. That is about all the movement will amount to.—*Newport News, Herald, Dem.*

—— The tragedy in Westmoreland county is another evidence of the danger of hastily taking the law into one's own hands. Chivalry is also an admirable quality but it should be tempered with the ability to take a calm view of things. According to all the evidence—including that of the young woman supposed to have been insulted—there was no cause whatever for the deplorable affair. Yet it cost three men their lives.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, Dem.*

—— According to report the brewers who violated the anti-Trust law in Texas are in a precarious pickle; for, after paying some thousands of dollars fine and forfeiting their Texas charters, they are threatened with suits by saloon keepers to recover under the law all the money these have paid for their beer during the past three years. One man alone has a claim aggregating $12,000. With such a law as that enforced in every State the Trust would "bust" in spite of tariff protection.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—"Do you mean to say that Erastus Pinkley sells his vote?" "No," answered Mr. Jim Colliflower; "I wouldn't say dat 'Rastus sells his vote. But he's willin' to hire it out 'casionally to select parties."—*Washington Star.*

A Raging, Roaring Flood

Washed down a telegraph line which Chas. C. Ellis, of Lisbon, Ia., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "gave me a terrible cold and cough. It grew worse daily. Finally the best doctors in Oakland, Neb., Sioux City and Omaha said I had Consumption and could not live. Then I began using Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles." Positively guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and all Throat and Lung troubles by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price, 50 cents. †

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Then we filter the beer. Then we sterilize every bottle.

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When you order a beer for your home, get the healthfulness without the harm. Get a pure beer—get an old beer—get Schlitz. Call for the Brewery Bottling.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Troy *Examiner*: Capt. James G. Cotton died at his home in Mt Gilead November 22nd, after several years of invalid life, most of this time unable to attend to his business affairs. He was a valiant soldier in the Confederate army.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: Extensive enlargements are in vogue at the Goldsboro furniture factory, already one of the most commodious in the South, whose trade extends to the gulf, the Pacific slope, north to New Jersey and even into the far West.

— Lumberton *Argus*: Mr. Edgar Price, of Iona, lost his cotton gin by fire last Saturday. The fire originated from a hot box in some of the machinery. It was a total loss—no insurance. This is the third gin destroyed by fire in the county this Winter.

—Newton *Enterprise*: The latest rumor about the Seaboard acquiring the Tennessee road into Bristol, is that it will extend the line to the Atlantic by way of Lenoir. We hope this is correct. In fact, we are told by those familiar with the different routes that this is the only one possible.

— Lexington *Dispatch*: While sitting near a stove in a church in Charlotte, one day last week, the celluloid collar which Mrs. John McKinney was wearing suddenly became ignited, and but for the presence of mind of the pastor, who quickly smothered the flames, she would have been seriously if not fatally burned.

Concord *Standard*: On Saturday evening while out hunting, Mr. David Corzine met with an accident rather peculiar, and fortunately so. A friend was with Mr. Corzine and the gun of his friend was accidentally discharged, the load going into a pocket of Mr. Corzine's trousers in which were a number of shells. They were exploded and at first thought did much damage to the young man. Medical aid was at once summoned and it was found that he was not badly hurt.

— Charlotte *News*: Mr. James G. Hood, at one time one of Charlotte's largest merchants, attempted to end his life by cutting his throat with a razor Sunday morning about 7 o'clock. For some time, in fact since the business deal in which he was interested in fell through. Mr. Hood has shown some signs of being demented. From time to time he had been closely watched by his family, fearing that he might do himself harm.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Dan B. Evans, a negro, was placed in jail Saturday, charged with breaking into a house at Hope Mills. As the Hope Mills constable was taking him through the court house the prisoner pushed him over, and, slamming the door in his face, made off. Deputy Sheriff Monaghan happened to be on hand and made after him. Evans was brought to bay in a vacant field, and when told to surrender he drew a pistol on the deputy. Mr. Monaghan then fired at him, sending a ball through his left leg, which brought him to the ground. The man then surrendered.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: Mr. J. A. Gilchrist, of Red Springs, died at his home Saturday. He was one of the best known citizens in the county and will be missed by a large number of friends. —— The six-year old of Henry McMillan was shot and killed Monday on the plantation of Mr. Purcell, at Wigam. No particulars have yet been ascertained. Coroner Ed McRae has been called on to investigate the killing. —— We regret to hear of the death of Mr. Robert M. McKenzie, son of our esteemed fellow citizen, Mr. Alez McKenzie, in the 28th year of his age. He went to Salisbury about six weeks ago and engaged in Life Insurance business. About ten days ago he was stricken with typhoid fever, and died on Sunday, the 8th, in Salisbury.

— Foreigner—I think I may say now that after two years of constant study I understand the English language. Native — Nonsense. Have you ever tried to grasp the meaning of an insurance policy?—*Life.*

— Too Swift for Them: Eloped in an automobile, did they? Yes, but it was no use. The old man had a flying machine.—*Puck.*

A Poor Millionaire

Lately starved in London because he could not digest his food. Early use of Dr. King's New Life Pills would have saved him. They strengthen the stomach, aid digestion, promote assimilate and improve appetite. Price 25 cents. Money back if not satisfied. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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TWINKLINGS

— It should be remembered that misgovernment owes its existence to the consent of the misgoverned.—*Puck.*

— Apparently the greatest "safety" device yet invented for the automobile is the price.—*Kansas City Star.*

— As the count now stands Tolstoi is about two deaths ahead of Gen. Botha and Miss Stone.—*Atlanta Journal.*

— It is dangerous to live and risky to die. It is said that the "moss-covered bucket that hung in the well" was filled with germs.

— Rox—It's easy to win a woman's love; just give her all the money she wants. Blox—You don't call that easy, do you?—*Detroit Free Press.*

—All Surprised Bessie—"I was surprised when Mr. Dashleigh asked me to marry him." Thssie—"Everybody else was."—*Ohio State Journal.*

— As to a Suitor: She—I think you're prejudiced against him! Her Father—Oh! I admit that? I don't see how anybody could help being prejudiced against him.—*Puck.*

— It Costs Money: "Somebody has sent in $18,669 to the conscience fund." Say, a man must be awful rich who can afford to have a conscience like that.—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— The guide was showing him the big trees. This one, he said, is supposed to be about 2,000 years old. What a twentieth century club it would make! commented the professor.—*N. Y. Weekly.*

— It is unlikely that there will be any more great rushes to the Klondike. People realize that snow and starvation can be attained much nearer home and at less expense.—*Washington Star.*

—Great Luck. — First Guide—"I was out with a dude sportsman from the city to day." Second Guide—"So? Did you have any luck?" First Guide—Sure. "Ain't I home again safe and sound?"—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "I am told," said the friend, "that the manager you have left was paying you a fabulous salary." "No,' answered Mr. Stormington Barnes; "not fabulous; imaginary."—*Washington Star.*

FIREMEN AND SOLDIERS.

There are more firemen in the United States than there are soldiers in Uncle Sam's army.

In New York city, for fire purposes, the two boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, with 1,400 firemen, are joined. The two boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, with 1,000 paid and 2,000 volunteer firemen, are joined, and Richmond, with 1,700 firemen, is separately organized. There are, therefore, in this city 6,100 firemen, paid and unpaid.

There are 1,200 firemen in Chicago, 800 in Philadelphia, 700 in Boston, 400 in Baltimore, 500 in Buffalo, 480 in Detroit, 500 in St. Louis, 400 in Pittsburg, 430 in San Francisco, 300 in New Orleans and 250 in Washington.

In the whole country there are 65,000 paid firemen, and the number of volunteer firemen varies from 100,000 to 150,000.

There is a saying among firemen that three volunteers are equivalent only to one regular, so great is the value of training and discipline. Thus a city like Wilmington, Del., with a population of 76,000, has more volunteer firemen than Philadelphia, with a population of 1,300,000, has paid firemen.—New York Sun.

The Life Saving Net.

"A new feature that attracts attention on fire apparatus seen going through the streets of New York city," says The Sun, "is the new life saving net, which is carried on trucks. It does not take up actually much room, but it is nevertheless necessarily conspicuous, and its novelty now attracts attention to it. The net itself has often been described. One part of it has a circular canvas sheet held all around at the edge to a stout steel hoop, which is perhaps 16 feet in diameter. For greater convenience in the net's transportaion the hoop is made in two parts, the end of one part thrusting into sockets in the ends of the other.

"The net when not in use is folded like a doubled up disk, and it is carried in that manner on the side of the truck. Holes are made in the footboard to receive two ends of one of the bows, and a little higher up the net is secured by straps to the underframe of the truck. Thus carried it has on the side of the truck the appearance of a big, white half moon, a striking novelty, which could not fail to attract attention."

Tentative Interment.

A poor Scotchwoman lay dying, and her husband sat by her bedside. After a time the wife took her husband's hand and said:

"John, we're goin to part. I have been a gude wife to ye, haven't I?"

John thought a moment.

"Well, just middling like, Jenny, ye know," anxious not to say too much.

Again the wife spoke.

"John," she said faintly, "ye maun promise to bury me in the auld kirkyard at Str'avon beside my mither. I could na rest in peace among unco' folk in the dirt and smoke o' Glasgie."

"Weel, weel, Jenny, my woman," said John soothingly, "we'll just try ye in Glasgie first, an gin ye dinna be quiet we'll try ye in Str'avon."—Spare Moments.

He Didn't Complain.

Young Wife—This talk about men being so impatient when a woman is getting ready to go anywhere is all nonsense.

Friend—Doesn't your husband complain at all?

Young Wife—No, indeed! Why, last evening I couldn't find my gloves and had a long hunt for half a dozen other things, and yet when I was finally dressed and went down stairs to my husband there he was by the fire reading and smoking as calmly as if I wasn't half an hour late.

Friend—Well, I declare! Where were you going?

Young Wife—To prayer meeting.—New York Weekly.

A Hint.

Tramp—I'd like to borrow a medical almanac, mum.

Housekeeper—What for?

Tramp—I wants ter see wot th' doctors recommend fer an empty feelin in th' stummick.—Exchange.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

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Senator Hoar's Joke.

Senator Hoar, when asked recently to contribute to the aid of a Worcester church, said he would give $5 to the solicitor if the latter could recite the second couplet of a hymn after hearing the senator recite the first couplet. The senator retained his $5, the unfamiliar hymn he had in mind beginning, "Let men of high conceit and zeal."

As She Saw It.

Mrs. Kleener—What is the matter with you this evening, John, that you ain't smoking?

Mr. Kleener—The doctor says I mustn't. He says I must stop smoking or die.

Mrs. Kleener—Oh, I'm so glad! You won't be scenting up my curtains any more, will you?—Boston Transcript.

A Chinese philosopher says there is an ounce of wisdom at the root of every gray hair.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6¾
Standard		@	7½
Burlaps	6	@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12½	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	9	@	10
Shoulders ℔ ℔	9	@	9¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	8¾	@	9
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	8¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 35	@	1 35
Second-hand machine	1 35	@	1 35
New New York, each		@	1 35
New City, each		@	1 35
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	22	@	28
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	75	@	76
Virginia Meal	75	@	76
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25	@	1 30
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	11	@	12½
Rio	7½	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	6
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	7 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	6	@	10
" Extra	4 00	@	5 00
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade	3 00	@	3 25
Choice	3 25	@	3 50
Straight	3 60	@	3 85
First Patent	4 25	@	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	8	@	10
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	78	@	85
Mixed Corn	76	@	84
Oats, from store (mixed)		@	55
Oats, Rust Proof		@	75
Cow Peas	85	@	90
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted	4	@	5
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	1 00	@	1 05
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	90	@	95
Western	90	@	95
North River		@	90
N. C. Crop	75	@	80
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3	@	3¼
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	12½	@	14
Dairy Cream	12	@	13½
Half cream	10	@	12½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	9[illegible]	@	12½
North Carolina	10	@	12½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	16 00
Rump		@	16 00
Prime		@	15 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	11	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	95	@	1 10
American	95	@	1 05
On 125 ℔ Sacks	50	@	60
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5½	@	5½
Standard A	5¼	@	5¼
White Extra C	4½	@	5
Extra C, Golden	4¾	@	4½
C Yellow	4	@	4¼
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	32
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	29	@	31
Porto Rico, in barrels	29	@	33
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	17	@	27
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 40	@	2 50
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	5 00	@	6 50
Prime mill	6 50	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	8 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart	6 25	@	7 00
" Sap	5 50	@	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 50	@	4 00
" Sap	2 50	@	3 00
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern	1 00	@	2 10

MARINE DIRECTORY

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 11, 1901

STEAMSHIPS.

Jessmore, (Br) 1,548 tons, Taylor, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Spennymore, (Br) 1,749 tons, Nairm, Heide & Co.

SCHOONERS.

Mabel Darling, (Br) 112 tons, Roberts, J A Springer & Co.

Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Chas C Lister, 267 tons, Moore, George Harriss, Son & Co.

D J Sawyer, 267 tons, Kelly, George Harriss, Son & Co.

W L Maxwell, 260 tons, Bowden, George Harriss, Son & Co.

J Howell Leeds, 393 tons, Bateman, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Hutitu, (Nor) 635 tons, Eilertsen, Heide & Co.

Albatross, (Nor) 491 tons, Rasmussen, Heide & Co.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 10.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95c per barrel for strained and $1.00 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.20 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.10 per barrel for hard, $2.00 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at $1.20@1.25; tar steady at $1.40; crude turpentine steady at $1.40 @2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	21
Rosin	319
Tar	285
Crude turpentine	141

Receipts same day last year—60 casks spirits turpentine, 593 barrels rosin, 265 barrels tar, 164 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5	5-16	cts ℔ ℔
Good ordinary	6	11-16	" "
Low middling	7	5-16	" "
Middling	7⅞		" "
Good middling	8	3-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 9⅛c for middling.

Receipts—2,376 bales; same day last year, 527.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish, 55@60c.

CORN—Firm; 75@77c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 13@14c; sides, 13@14c.

EGGS—Firm at 20@21c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 20@25c; springs, 10@20c.

TURKEYS—Dressed, firm at 10@12½c; live, 8@9c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5¼@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Money on call was firm at 5½@8 per cent., last loan 6 per cent., ruling rate 6 per day. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5 per cent. Sterling exchange heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¾ for demand and at 483¾ for sixty days. The posted rates were 484½@485 and 488. Commercial bills 483@483½. Bar silver 54¼. Mexican dollars 43¼ Government bonds steady. State bonds weak. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 108½; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 109; U. S. 3's, reg'd 108⅝; do. coupon, 108⅝; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 139½; do. coupon 139½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 111½; do. coupon, 112½; U. S. 5's, do. reg'd, 107½; coupon, 107½; Southern Railway 5's 120½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 102½; Chesapeake & Ohio 46½; Manhattan L 135⅝; N. Y. Central 165½; Reading 47¼; do. 1st pref'd 78⅝; do. 2nd pref'd 57⅝; St. Paul 161½; do. pref'd, 185; Southern R'way 32⅝; do. pref'd 91¼; Amalgamated Copper 70; Am'n Tobacco —; People's Gas 98; Sugar 120; Tennessee Coal and Iron 61½; U. S. Leather 11¼; do. pref'd, 81½; Western Union 91¼; U. S. Steel 41¼; do. preferred 91¼; Mexican National 13¼; American Locomotive 31½; do. preferred 88¼; Standard Oil 692@695; Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., 61; do. preferred, 122.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 10.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 26¼@27; do. preferred, 50⅛@50¾; do 4s 85⅝@85¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine 38@38½.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 10.—Spirits turpentine firm at 34c; sales — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 10.—Spirits turpentine firm at 34⅝c; receipts 1,557 casks; sales 1,459 casks; exports 7,159 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 4,588 barrels; sales 554 barrels; exports 8,083 barrels

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of three to seven points on good foreign buying, demand from shorts and purchases for spinners' account. Liverpool was no better than expected and trade reports from the continent were the most cheerful received in many weeks. It was the news from the continent which gave our market the bulk of its early strength. Not long after the call, however, it was seen that the public was not buying. The movement at interior towns and the ports reached larger figures than anticipated and spot holders South were selling freely at the high prices established yesterday. Wall street and commission houses were selling on the opening advance and continued to sell pretty much all the rest of the day. Around 8 10 for January some room operators picked up moderate lines of winter months on the idea that weak holders were pretty well liquidated and that a short interest was being accumulated. The estimates for to morrow's receipts were rather larger than expected and New Orleans seemed disposed to work lower, thus intimidating traders here for the time being. In the last hour the market wavered between strength and weakness, with speculation spasmodically active. Just before the close active March selling carried the whole list off again. The close was barely steady at a net decline of six to ten points.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Cotton quiet at 8⅛c; net receipts 1,033 bales; gross 5,907 bales; stock 94,088 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 8⅛c; middling gulf 8⅜c; sales 92 bales.

Cotton futures closed barely steady: December 8.09, January 8.07, February 8.09, March 8.11, April 8.11, May 8.13, June 8.19, July 8 08, August 7.88; September —.

Total to-day—Net receipts 72,639 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,680 bales; exports to France 16,560 bales; exports to the Continent 4,060 bales; stock 853,841 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 157,832 bales; exports to Great Britain 43,890 bales; exports to France 16,658 bales; exports to the Continent 59,046 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,847,597 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,382,670 bales; exports to France 355,919 bales; exports to the Continent 1,103,793 bales.

December 10.—Galveston, firm at 8c, net receipts 24,471 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7 9-16c, net receipts 4,013 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8⅛c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8⅛c, net receipts 783 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7⅞c, net receipts 2,376 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8⅜c, net receipts 108 bales; Savannah, easy at 7⅞c, net receipts 9,351 bales; New Orleans, easy at 8c, net receipts 25,420 bales; Mobile, nominal at 7⅞c, net receipts 2,420 bales; Memphis, firm at 7 15-16c, net receipts 1,869 bales; Augusta, steady at 8 1-16c, net receipts 2,299 bales; Charleston, firm at 7⅞c, net receipts 1,595 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Flour market was unchanged but easier in tone. Rye flour steady. Wheat—spot easier; No. 2 red 88⅛c. Options experienced a weak day from unusually free unloading; cables bearish in face of Monday's light strength here and larger Northwest receipts. Short selling was also aggressive. Wall street and foreign houses offered wheat and export trade was light. Closed weak and 1⅛@1⅛c net lower. March closed 87⅛c; May closed 86⅛c; December 84⅜c. Corn—Spot easier; No. 2, 72⅛c. Options declined in sympathy, with wheat and was also affected by lower cables, small clearances, unloading and fair receipts. Closed weak at ⅜@1⅛c net lower. May closed 71⅛c; December closed 71⅜c. Oats—spot easier; No. 2, 52c. Options sold off as a result of depression in grain markets. Pork steady. Tallow steady. Lard steady; Western steamed $10 25; refined firm; continent $10 35; South American $11 00; compound 7⅞@8c. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No 7 invoice 6⅛c; mild quiet; Cordova 7½@11c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3 4-32c; centrifugal 96 test, 3⅞c; refined steady. Butter—Market steady; creamery 16@25½c; State dairy 15@23½c. Cheese steady; late made best large 9½c; late made best small 10@10½c. Rice steady. Eggs quiet; State and Pennsylvania 26@27c; Southern at mark 20@25c. Potatoes steady; Jerseys $1 50@1 75; New York $1 50@2 12½; Long Island $2 00@2 25; Jersey sweets $2 00@3 75. Cabbage steady; Long Island Flat Dutch, per 100, $2 00@3 00. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 4@4⅛c; other domestic 3⅛@3⅛c. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 13. Cotton seed oil was quieter but firm, influenced by light offerings. Quotations were: Prime crude in barrels nominal; prime summer yellow 39⅛c; off summer yellow 38⅛c; prime white 41@42c; prime winter yellow 41@42c; prime meal $26 00.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Extreme nervousness nd wild fluctuations characterized the grain markets here to-day Bull and bear vied with each other for the possession of the pits, and all sorts of stories were afloat intended to influence prices. Bearish conditions however, prevailed and May wheat closed 1⅛c lower, May corn 1⅛c down and May oats ⅛c lower. Provisions closed ten cents lower to 2½c higher.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 3 spring 78@78⅛c; No. 2 red 81⅛@81⅛c. Corn—No. 2 —; No. 2 yellow —c. Oat—No. 2 47@48c; No. 2 white 48⅛@49c; No. 3 white 48⅛@49c. Mess pork, per barrel. $15 75@15 80. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9 87½@9 90. Short rib sides, loose, $8 45@8 60. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $7 37½@7 62½. Short clear sides, boxed, $8 90@9 00. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 32.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 77⅜, 79, 77¼, 77⅛c; May 83@81¼, 83¼, 81⅜, 81⅜@81⅝c; July 82@81¼, 83, 81¼, 81⅛c. Corn—No. 2 December 64, 64⅜, 64, 64⅛@64⅛c; May 67⅛@68, 68⅛, 67⅛, 67⅛c; July 67⅛@67⅛, 68, 67⅛, 67⅛c. Oats—December 45@45⅛, 45⅛, 45⅝, 45c; May 45⅜@46⅛, 46⅛, 44⅜, 46⅛c; July 41@40⅛, 41, 40⅛, 40⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $17 00, 17 00, 16 80, 16 80; May $17 25, 17 45, 17 20, 17 22½. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $9 80, 9 95, 9 80, 9 87½; May $9 85, 10 00, 9 85, 9 9½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 50, 8 60, 8 50, 8 52½; May $8 65, 8 77½, 8 65, 8 65.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 10, 4:30 P. M.—Cotton: Spot, fair demand; prices 1-32d lower; American middling fair 4 15-16d; good middling 4 23-32d; middling 4 19-32d; low middling 4½d; good ordinary 4⅜d; ordinary 4⅛d. The sales of the day were 9,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 7,600 bales American. Receipts 20,000 bales, including 19,400 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed barely steady; American middling (g. o. c.) December 4 32-64d seller; December and January 4 30-64d buyer; January and February 4 29-64d value; February and March 4 28-64@4 29-64d seller; March and April 4 27-64@4 28-64d buyer; April and May 4 27-64@4 28-64d buyer; May and June 4 27-64@4 28-64d buyer; June and July 4 27-64d buyer; July and August 4 27-64d value; August and September 4 22-64d buyer.

MARINE.

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Stmr A J Johnson, Robinson, Clear Run, W J Meredith.

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Clyde steamship Oneida, Hale, New York, H G Smallbones.

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British schooner Mabel Darling, 112 tons, Roberts, Nassau, J A Springer & Co.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—371 bales cotton, 4 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—1,662 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 4 barrels rosin, 105 barrels tar, 64 barrels crude turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—97 bales cotton, 67 barrels tar, 13 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—228 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 28 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—11 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 199 barrels rosin, 33 barrels tar.

Steamer C. M. Whitlock—7 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 40 barrels tar, 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Argyle—4 casks spirits turpentine, 20 barrels rosin, 8 barrels tar.

Schooner Maggie C.—96 barrels rosin.

Schooner Ruth J—5 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—2,377 bales cotton, 21 casks spirits turpentine, 319 barrels rosin, 285 barrels tar, 141 barrels crude turpentine.

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BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW.

More than a thousand years ago—
Shadows of time, how the days go by—
There was a man I used to know—
May seem strange, but you'll see it's so
After I tell you the reason why—
Worked in a brickyard, same as you
And all of us have to do;
Mixed in the trouble and worry and strife,
The mirth and the other things of life;
Stirred in the hopes and the pains and fears,
Kneaded the mud with his sweat and his tears,
Humanest mass that ever you saw.
"Poor brick!" said the man, "but I have no straw!"

Up to his knees in the miry pit,
A pygmy's way, but a giant's grit;
His back was a chain of throbbing aches,
Lifting the mold with its earthen cakes;
Elbows rusty as hinges of steel,
Knees so lame he could hardly kneel;
Mud so stiff it would clog a plow
And couldn't be stirred with a wheel nohow;
Nights as short as the days were long;
Nothing seemed right, but everything wrong.
"Boss I can do," said the man; "hot, pshaw,
You can't make brick when you have no straw!"

Taskmasters pitiless lashed the man.
"Can't!" sobbed Weakness, but Courage cried,
"Can!"
"Don't!" said Despair, but Duty cried, "Do!"
"All right," said the man, "I'll worry her through!
Can't do much, and I reckon you'll see
Brick won't be just what they ought to be;
Ain't nigh so good as I know I could make
If I just had straw; but you'll have to take
The best I can do for the work's own sake."

He finished his tale of brick and then
Went home to rest, and the sons of men
Looked on his perfect work and saw
He'd have spoiled the brick had he put in straw.
—Robert J. Burdette.

GREYHOUNDS.

They Are the Fleetest of All Four Footed Animals.

Comparatively few people realize of what remarkable speed dogs are capable. Some remarkable statistics in regard to this have been gathered by M. Dusolier, a French scientist.

After pointing out the marvelous endurance shown by little fox terriers who follow their masters patiently for hours while the latter are riding on bicycles or in carriages, he says that even greater endurance is shown by certain wild animals that are akin to dogs.

Thus the wolf can run between 50 and 60 miles in one night, and an arctic fox can do quite as well, if not better.

Nansen met one of these foxes on the ice at a point more than 70 miles northwest of the Sannikow territory, which is 480 miles from the Asiatic coast. Eskimo and Siberian dogs can travel 45 miles on the ice in five hours, and there is one case on record in which a team of Eskimo dogs traveled 6½ miles in 28 minutes.

According to M. Dusolier, the speed of the shepherd dogs and those used in hunting ranges from 10 to 15 yards a second. English setters and pointers hunt at the rate of 18 to 19 miles an hour, and they can maintain this speed for at least two hours.

Foxhounds are extraordinarily swift, as is proved by the fact that a dog of this breed once beat a thoroughbred horse, covering four miles in 6½ minutes, which was at the rate of nearly 18 yards a second.

Greyhounds are the swiftest of all four footed creatures, and their speed may be regarded as equal to that of carrier pigeons. English greyhounds, which are carefully selected and which are used for coursing, are able to cover at full gallop a space between 18 and 23 yards every second.

How great an achievement this is may be judged from the fact that a thoroughbred horse rarely if ever exceeds 19 yards. Moreover, it is said that a hare at its greatest speed never goes faster than at the rate of 18 yards.

These interesting statistics are exciting much comment among sportsmen and other lovers of dogs, and the opinion is unanimous that M. Dusolier has fully proved the right of the greyhound to rank as the swiftest of the quadrupeds. Express engines only surpass them.—London Mail.

LINCOLN'S LOGIC.

How Old Abe Learned to Tell When a Thing Is Proved.

A man who heard Abraham Lincoln speak in Norwich, Conn., some time before he was nominated for president, was greatly impressed by the closely knit logic of the speech. Meeting him next day on a train he asked him how he acquired his wonderful logical powers and such acuteness in analysis.

Lincoln replied: "It was my terrible discouragement which did that for me. When I was a young man, I went into an office to study law. I saw that a lawyer's business is largely to prove things. I said to myself, 'Lincoln, when is a thing proved?' That was a poser. What constitutes 'proof'? Not evidence; that was not the point. There may be evidence enough, but wherein consists the proof? I groaned over the question, and finally said to myself, 'Ah, Lincoln, you can't tell.' Then I thought what use is it for me to be in a law office if I can't tell when a thing is proved?

"So I gave it up and went back home. Soon after I returned to the old log cabin I fell in with a copy of Euclid. I had not the slightest notion of what Euclid was, and I thought I would find out. I therefore began at the beginning, and before spring I had gone through the old Euclid's geometry and could demonstrate every proposition in the book. Then in the spring, when I had got through with it, I said to myself one day, 'Ah, do you know when a thing is proved?' and I answered, 'Yes, sir, I do. Then you may go back to the law shop;' and I went." —Exchange.

What to Read.

Read the good old books that have lived and held their own by the vitality of matter and style that makes them standards. Don't read a lot of new books about the Bible. Read the Bible, and then you will understand what you may afterward read about the Bible. Read Shakespeare, not controversies on Shakespeare; read Scott and Thackeray and Dickens and George Eliot. Do not be content with a short history of literature that tells you their best works and makes a few disconnected extracts and tells you their standing and what you should think of them.

Read intelligently and with interest, and every book you read will guide you to the next that is good for you personally far better than a strange mentor can do, who is often full of theories and prejudices or perhaps has got up a course of study as a "pot boiler" and has no real love of his subject.

Horses' Sunbonnets.

The wearing of sunbonnets by horses in hot weather is by no means a modern invention. In an old Italian print, dated 1542, a gentleman is shown riding on horseback with an umbrella fixed over his own head and another over that of his horse. In Mexico horses are often protected by a small parasol rising over the head, and a horse similarly accommodated has lately been seen in Regent street. Unfortunately this headdress annoyed the conventional "horse in the street," and it came very near causing more than one disaster on the way to Langham place.—London Chronicle.

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An Effort to Speak.

Dogs in a native or wild state never bark. They simply whine, howl and growl. The noise which we call barking is found only among those that are domesticated. Columbus found that to be the case with the dogs he first brought to America and left at large, for on his return he tells us that they had lost their propensity to bark. Scientific men say that barking is really an effort on the part of the dog to speak.

He Knew.

She—How beautifully Miss Heavyweight dances! She doesn't seem to touch the floor sometimes!

He (whose feet are still suffering from the last polka with her)—She doesn't!—Punch.

His Record as an Abstainer.

She—Are you a total abstainer, Colonel Blue Grass?

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Lv Hamlet	.....	10.35 p m	6.40 a m
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Ar Tampa	.....	5.40 p m	6.00 a m

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Ar Norfolk	.....	8.50 a m	11.00 p m
Ar Portsmouth	.....	....	....
Ar Norfolk	.....	9.15 a m	8.25 p m

Lv Hamlet	.....	10.40 p m	7.35 a m
Ar Raleigh	.....	1.10 a m	10. a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	3.30 a m	11.55 a m
Ar Petersburg	.....	5.54 a m	2.05 p m
Ar Richmond	.....	6.35 a m	3.05 p m
Ar Washington	.....	10.10 a m	6.35 p m
Ar Baltimore	.....	11.25 a m	11.25 p m
Ar New York	.....	4.25 p m	6.30 a m

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.10 a. m. takes passengers from train 31, leaving New York at 1.00 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.40 p. m.; Richmond 10.40 p. m.; Portsmouth 8.50 p. m., Norfolk 8.30 p. m.; Raleigh 3.55 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 6.30 a. m. From train 38, leaving Atlanta 8.00 p. m.; Athens 11.25 p. m.; Chester 4.00 a. m.; Charlotte 5.30 a. m.; Monroe 6.05 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.00 a. m.

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P. M.	P. M.	Goldsboro	A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Kinston	11 05	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	10 15	.....
7 00	7 07	Morehead City	9 37	9 00
P. M.	P. M.		7 30	7 07
			A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.45 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 8.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 5 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 5.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.35 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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DAILY 9.30 A. M. No. 49—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.15 A. M., Warsaw 11.51 A. M., Goldsboro 12.40 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M. Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 3.53 P. M., Petersburg 5.40 P. M., Richmond 7.45 P. M., Norfolk 5.5[illegible] P. M., Washington 7.40 P. M. Baltimore 1.39 A. M., Philadelphia 4.5[illegible] A. M. New York 7.1[illegible] A. M., *Boston 3.0[illegible] P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Due Magnolia 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.00 P. M., Goldsboro 4.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., *Tarboro 9.34 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.33 P. M. Weldon 1.37 A. M., *Norfolk 1.40 P. M. Petersburg 3.18 A. M., Richmond 3.57 A. M., Washington 7.39 A. M., Baltimore 9.03 A. M., Philadelphia 11.19 A. M. New York 1.43 P. M., Boston 5.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.15 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY except Sunday 6.00 A. M. No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7.41 A. M., Marion 8.43 A. M., Florence 9.25 A. M., Lanes 11.06 A. M., Charleston 1.10 P. M.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9.15 P. M., Columbia 10.40 P. M. Denmark 6.14 A. M., Augusta 4.10 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.1[illegible] P. M. Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 2.05 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.50 A. M., Tampa 10.00 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.40 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.[illegible] P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Leave Boston *1.30 P. M., New York *3.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.00 A. M., Baltimore 3.35 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 8.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.40 A. M., Norfolk 12.[illegible] A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.[illegible] P. M. Rocky Mount 12.50 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.15 P. M. Warsaw 4.10 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.25 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.25 A. M., Philadelphia 12.03 P. M., Baltimore 3.10 P. M. Washington 3.45 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Petersburg 7.19 P. M., *Norfolk 4.00 P. M., Weldon 8.38 P. M., *Tarboro 7.42 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 8.57 A. M., Goldsboro 9.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.30 A. M., Magnolia 7.53 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Leave Newbern 12.15 P. M. Leave Jacksonville 12.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY except Sunday 1.45 P. M. No. 50—Leave Charleston 4.00 P. M. Lanes 6.06 P. M., Florence 8.15 P. M., Marion 8.54 P. M., Chadbourn 9.53 P. M., Lake Waccamaw 10.21 P. M.

DAILY 1.45 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.40 A. M. Sanford 6.10 P. M., Jacksonville 8.30 P. M. Savannah 1.30 A. M. Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.50 P. M. Denmark 4.48 P. M. Columbia 6.[illegible] A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M. Florence 10.10 A. M., Marion 10.53 A. M. Chadbourn 11.39 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.20 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 53—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M. arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 6.10 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M. Red Springs 9.32 A. M. Parkton 10.06 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 5.06 P. M., Red Springs 5.45 P. M. Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 9.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10.18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.15 P. M., Halifax 3.50 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 4.10 P. M., Greenville 5.47 P. M., Kinston 6.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.30 A. M., Greenville 8.30 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.06 A. m., Weldon 11.30 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 6.00 A. M. and 2.45 P. M.; arrive Parmele 8.50 A. M. and 4.10 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 11.10 A. M. and 5.25 P. M.; arrive Washington 12.30 A. M. and 6.15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leave Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; arrives Fly mouth 6.35 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.00 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 9.55 A. M. and 11.50 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro daily except Sunday 8.00 A. M., arriving Smithfield 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M., arrives at Goldsboro 8.20 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.53 A. M., 4.00 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.25 P. M., Spring Hope 11.08 A. M., 4.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 5.15 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M. 5.40 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.40 A. M. Dillon 10.56 A. M., Rowland 11.18 A. M. Returning, leave Rowland 6.10 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.31 P. M., Latta 6.44 P. M., Pee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 12.01 P. M.; arrive Conway 2.20 P. M.; returning leave Conway 2.55 P. M. arriving Chadbourn 5.05 P. M. leave Chadbourn 5.35 P. M., arrive Kirod 6.10 A. M., returning leave Kirod 8.40 A. M., arrive Chadbourn 11.25 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 6.30 P. M., Manning 6.55 P. M.; arrive Lane's 7.40 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.00 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., *7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A. M., *8.30 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; *4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; *8.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 10.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M., Hartsville 9.55 P. M., Cheraw 11.45 A. M., Bennettsville 12.50 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 5.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 5.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 10.15 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.05 A. M. Bennettsville 7.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.15 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.30 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.26 A. M., Darlington 8.20 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington 8.30 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 11.10 P. M., arrive Selma 3.43 P. M. 11.39 P. M. Smithfield 3.03 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.1[illegible] P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.15 A. M. Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., 10.07 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 2.03 P. M. Selma 2.10 P. M., 11.25 P. M., arrive Wilson 3.57 P. M., 12.47 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5. A. M., arrive Denmark 8.14 A. M. Returning leave Denmark 4.25 P. M., Creston 5.36 P. M. Sumter 6.19 P. M. Daily.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 11.

EL CTION IN BOSTON, MASS.

Democrats Completely Overwhelmed the Republicans—Elected All Their Candidates.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS, Dec 10 —The Democrats completely overwhelmed the Republicans in the city election today, Gen. Patrick A. Collins being elected over Mayor Thos. N Hart by the largest plurality in a quarter of a century. The Democrats likewise obtained control of both brancnes of the city government; elected their street commissioner, Salem D Charles, and practically all their candidates for the school commission. As usual the city voted strongly in favor of license.

The result of the canvass was as fully as much a surprise to the Democrats as to their opponents. The most sanguine Democratic prophet last night claimed only seven thousand, yet this plurality was nearly tripled. Two years ago Mayor Hart defeated General Collins by 2,281 votes and polled something over 40,000. This year the total Republican vote for mayor was a trifle over 33,000, the smallest given a party candidate for mayor since 1893, despite a registration almost 50 per cent. larger than then. Yet General Collins received 52,000 votes, the largest in the history of the city and he carried 18 out of 25 wards.

The Republican leaders were inclined to blame the weather to-night, but this does not account for the tremendous gains made by the Democrats in Republican wards. Naturally, there was great excitement in the close wards and in South Boston two prominent Republican politicians were arrested on suspicion of having obtained repeaters. This, however, was the only unfortunate feature of the day.

In Other Cities.

Massachusetts Republicans were not quite as successful in the eighteen city elections held to-day as they were in the fourteen held last week, for although they carried eleven to the Democrats' four, the other three being nonpartisan contests, three Republican mayors were defeated.

TRIAL OF MRS. BONINE.

The Case Probably Will Go to the Jury To-morrow or Friday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, December 10 —Three medical experts gave testimony to-day at the trial of Mrs. Lola Ida Bonine, charged with killing Census Clerk Ayres, all going to show the alleged close range at which the fatal shots were fired. Dr. Sterling Ruffin testified that the chest wound inflicted on Ayres must have been from a shot fired when the pistol was from five to eight inches distance from the body. Drs. Carr and Boree also gave testimony along the same lines, showing the results of experiments designed to prove the close range at which the fatal shots must have been fired. When recess was taken it was expected that all the testimony would be in by adjournment this afternoon.

Deputy Coroner Grazbrook and Morgue Keeper Schoenberger were examined at the afternoon session. Their testimony was unimportant. The defence then announced its side closed. The prayers of both sides will be submitted to morrow and the case probably will go to the jury Thursday evening or Friday morning.

TWO MEN KILLED.

Shot Each Other in a Face to Face Duel Near Zolfo, Fla.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ZOLFO, FLA., Dec. 10.—G. L. Powell and J. S. Overstreet, two prominent naval stores manufacturers, shot and killed each other in a face to face duel about 10:30 o'clock to-day. Overstreet went to Powell's still, nine miles west of here, to see about some hands. The two men had some words and both drew their guns and commenced firing. From what facts are at present obtainable it appears that both men emptied their guns without doing any damage. Powell then went into the house and came out with a rifle. Both fired together and each man fell to the ground. Overstreet was shot in the forehead and Powell just below the heart. Overstreet was killed instantly and Powell only lived for an hour. Powell was one of the largest operators and owners of turpentine lands in Florida.

The affair has created a tremendous sensation throughout this part of the State.

MR. CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

Discussed at a Meeting of President Roosevelt's Cabinet.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 10.—The proposed gift of $10,000,000 by Andrew Carnegie, for educational purposes, was discussed at to-day's meeting of the Cabinet. It was stated after the meeting that the President had received a communication from Mr. Carnegie on the subject of the creation of a fund for the extension of higher education. It is said that his proposition does not involve the establishment of university buildings in Washington, but rather the placing of a fund in the hands of government trustees from which the expenses of deserving students may be paid in the line of original investigation at home or abroad. The proposition, it is understood, had not reached a concrete form except in general terms, and except as to the amount. The President will confer with members of Congress in regard to the proposed gift before making it public.

The President has nominated Chas. H. Darling, of Vermont, to be assistant secretary of the navy, vice Frank W. Hackett, resigned.

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NICARAGUA CANAL IN THE SENATE.

A Bill Providing for Its Construction Was Introduced by Senator Morgan.

HAY-PAUNCEFOTE TREATY.

Senator Lodge Made Statement Explaining Its Features—House Proceedings. Announcement of Committees by the Speaker.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The open session of the Senate to-day was devoted to the consideration of routine business, such as the presentation of petitions, memorials and bills. The Senate then went into executive session, upon motion of Senator Lodge, who has charge of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and adjourned at 1:55 p. m.

Nicaragua Canal.

Senator Morgan to-day introduced a bill providing for the construction of the Nicaragua canal. The bill provides an aggregate of $180,000,000, of which $5,000,000 is made immediately available, and of which aggregate sum such amounts as are necessary are to be appropriated by Congress from time to time. The control of the canal and of the canal belt, is vested in a board of eight citizens of the United States in addition to the secretary of war, who is to be president. The members of the board are to be paid a salary of $8,000 a year each, and they are to be chosen regardless of political affiliation. There is a provision authorizing the establishment of a regiment from the regular army on the canal belt to properly guard it, and courts also are authorized conformable to the powers granted by the governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica. There also is a provision making three divisions of the canal during the construction, and there is to be a chief engineer and two assistants on each division, the chief to receive a salary of $6,000 and the assistants $3,000.

In Executive Session.

After the Senate went into executive session to-day Senator Hoar presented the report of the committee on the judiciary, recommending the confirmation of Attorney General Knox. He made a brief statement, referring to the protests against confirmation as made by the Anti-trust League, but said that after giving careful attention to this representation the committee had decided to recommend confirmation. No opposition was voiced, but action on the nomination was postponed by common consent. The Senate then, before taking up the Isthmian Canal treaty, proceeded to pass upon other nominations, of which there are an exceptionally large number before the Senate.

After a number of nominations had been confirmed Senator Lodge called up the Hay-Pauncefote treaty and made a brief statement regarding that convention. The Senate then adjourned in order to give the Democratic caucus committee an opportunity to hold a meeting. Senator Lodge contended that the new treaty does away with all the objectionable features of the treaty of the last Congress, and enumerated the particulars in which the revised agreement conforms to the action of the Senate in the last Congress when the old treaty was before it.

House of Representatives.

Speaker Henderson, at the session of the House to day, announced the appointment of the committees. Usually the committees are not appointed until after the holiday recess, but Speaker Henderson had the situation well in hand when Congress met, and having completed the lists he announced them. The early appointment of the committees should facilitate legislation considerably, as the committees can now organize and get their work under way before the holiday adjournment.

A resolution for the distribution of the President's message was made the occasion of a general speech on the Philippines by the venerable ex-Speaker Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Burk, South Dakota, formally announced the death of Senator Kyle, and as a mark of respect, the House immediately adjourned. The adjournment was until Friday. The holiday recess will be from December 19th to January 6th.

The House Committee on Appropriations held its first session to-day, and Chairman Cannon announced the membership of sub-committees which will prepare the big supply bills. These sub committees will begin work at once. Chairman Cannon said, however, as the holiday recess would begin on December 19th it was not likely that any appropriation bills would be passed before then. Mr. Cannon also stated that it was the view of the committee that all the work on appropriations could be disposed of so that Congress could adjourn by June 1st next.

KIDNAPPING NEGROES.

An Ex-Slave Under Arrest in Lawrence County, Alabama.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW DECATUR, ALA., Dec. 10.—Ben Milan, colored, an ex-slave, of Lawrence county, is under arrest, charged with kidnapping negroes and selling them as slaves to the white manager of a Tennessee river island plantation, some miles below Decatur.

It is alleged that Milan would induce negroes to accompany him to the island with the promise of securing positions for them on the plantation at good wages and that when they reached there he would sell them in bondage, where they were confined in stockades. It is said that a young negro who recently escaped from the island told the story and caused the arrest of Ben Milan. He reports that a kidnapped negro has been confined on this island as a slave for seven years.

NOMINATION CONFIRMED.

Among the Number Richmond Pearson to be Consul at Genoa.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 10.—The Senate to-day confirmed these nominations: Wm. H. Hunt, Montana, to be Governor, and Charles Hartzell, Colorado, to be secretary of Porto Rico; Wm. A. Rodenberg, Illinois, to be a civil service commissioner; French B. Loomis, Ohio, to be minister to Portugal; Lloyd C. Griscom, Pennsylvania, to be minister to Persia; Herbert W. Bowen, New York, to be minister to Venezuela.

To be consul, Richmond Pearson, of North Carolina, to Genoa.

To be collector of customs, Geo. W. Allen, Key West, Fla., and George B. Cobb, District of Albemarle, North Carolina.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

Convention at Cincinnati—No Opposition to the Confederation Manifested. Vigorous Addresses.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CINCINNATI, December 10.—The American Federation of Catholic societies is now permanently established. At the sessions of the first day of its initial convention, no opposition to the confederation was manifested. On the contrary, the attendance, unanimity of opinion and enthusiasm of all present in the new organization surpassed all expectations. In his discourse this morning at St. Peter's cathedral, Dr. Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's cathedral, New York, eloquently sounded the keynote in favor of federation. He was followed by Archbishop Elder in one of the most vigorous addresses that venerable prelate has made for years. Archbishop Elder discussed the need of unity of action as well as of purpose and predicted great results in the future by the union of Catholic organizations.

Following the addresses of welcome and responses, speeches were made by Bishop Maer, of Covington, Ky.; Bishop Horstmann, of Cleveland, O.; Bishop McFaul, of Trenton, N. J., and Bishop Messmer, of Green Bay, Wis. Bishops Horstmann and McFaul spoke at some length, the latter having a carefully prepared address to show that the federation proposed to advance benevolent, social and Christian work, and especially to assist the Catholic press and disseminate Catholic literature. The address of Bishop McFaul was regarded as an official statement from the clergy, and that of T. B. Minahan, of the Ohio federation, as an official statement from the laity. President Minahan demonstrated that the federation was one for Christians and not for politicians. He said no politicians had been or ever would be allowed in its councils.

FEDERATION OF LABOR.

Resolutions Adopted by the Convention at Scranton—Exclusion of Asiatics From U. S. Territory.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SCRANTON, PA., Dec, 10.—The exclusion of Chinamen, Japanese and other Asiatics from American territory, ticket scalping legislation, and advisability of adopting a universal label for union made goods, were the principal questions that claimed the attention of the delegates at to-day's two sessions of the American Federation of Labor.

The resolutions advocating the exclusion of the Chinese were adopted by the convention with considerable hurrah, but in the matter of excluding natives of Japan and other Asiatic lands, a snag was struck and this part of the anti-Mongolian agitation was killed, so far as the present convention is concerned. The special committee having charge of the exclusion matter was unanimous in favorably reporting the Chinese section of the resolution, but was divided in regard to the Japanese. The Pacific coast delegates led the discussion on Chinese exclusion, but were divided when it came to excluding other Orientals. The burden of the remarks of those opposed to the Japanese resolution was that Chinese immigration was the greater evil of the two and that to insist upon some restrictive law to prevent a Japanese invasion may endanger the passage by Congress of the Chinese act.

The ticket scalping debate was quite a lively affair. The delegates representing the Railway Telegraphers opened the fight against the resolution, making the point that such action was beyond the jurisdiction of the federation. The "typos" were helped along in their arguments for the adoption of the resolution by several socialistic members of the convention. A socialist from Chicago said the railroads were "skinning the people, and why not let the people skin the railroads; it is a skin game all around." When the viva voce vote was taken those in favor of permitting ticket scalping won by an overwhelming majority.

The agitation for a universal label which has been carried on for a long time was again defeated. Those who favored the idea fought valiantly, but the delegates had made up their minds on the question and crushed the proposition when it came to a vote.

Among the resolutions adopted by the convention were these: To assist the Virginia Federation of Labor in having the voice of labor heard and its rights secured in the remodeling of the Virginia constitution; confirming the right of suffrage to the citizens of the District of Columbia; asking Congress to pass a marine law regulating the number of men employed by the size of a vessel, and setting a standard of skill, and providing for the organization of a State federation in Tennessee and other Southern States to fight the convict labor system.

A PROMINENT VIRGINIAN.

Death of Ex-Judge Robert W. Hughes, Aged 81 Years.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROANOKE, VA., Dec. 10.—Ex Judge Robert W. Hughes died to-day in Washington county, aged 81 years. Judge Hughes was for more than 25 years United States judge of the Eastern district of Virginia. He was one of the most prominent men in the State, one of the oldest writers and one of the strongest newspaper men Virginia has ever produced. He, with the late John M. Daniel, edited the Richmond *Examiner* for a number of years. He also edited the President's organ during Buchanan's administration and since the war the *State Journal*. During his newspaper career Judge Hughes engaged in two duels and was a second in several others.

NELLIE CROPSEY MYSTERY.

Her Family Now of the Opinion That the Girl is Dead.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Dec. 10.—The family of Nellie Cropsey, who heretofore have clung to the belief that she was alive, are now of opinion that she is dead, but do not state the basis for this change in their opinion.

A member of the committee of five in charge of the search for the missing girl to-day said: "We believe we will produce the body of Nellie Cropsey within twelve hours."

Miss Carrie Cropsey, a cousin of the missing girl, to night said: "The family are at a loss for any explanation of the mystery. We now believe Nell is dead."

At the adjourned meeting in Cincinnati of the committee representing the whiskey trade of this country, resolutions were unanimously adopted endorsing the measures introduced by Representative Joy, of Missouri, on the opening day of Congress, for a reduction of the tax on spirits to 70 cents and for a more liberal outage.

PROMISES TO RIVAL THE BONINE CASE.

Well Known Woman of Washington, D. C., Found Unconscious in Her Room.

ALMOST DYING CONDITION.

Her Skull Fractured, Jaw Broken—Beaten With a Piano Stool—Robbery Apparently Not the motive—No Clue to the Perpetrator.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10 —Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, a fashionable dressmaker, was found in an almost dying condition in her room at 5 o'clock this morning, under circumstances that promise to rival the Bonine murder case. Her skull was fractured, jawbone broken and left ear almost severed from the head. Her left arm bore bruises indicative of a struggle, and her clothing and bedding were saturated with blood. She was removed to the Garfield Hospital and a large number of detectives put on the case. The name of her assailant is unknown.

The general belief is that Mrs. Dennis was attacked while asleep in her bed room on the first floor, and that the first blow in all probability administered with the piano stool, which was smeared with blood, rendered her unconscious.

The preliminary investigations by the police fail to indicate that there was any struggle.

Mrs. Dennis, in a conscious moment while being carried to the hospital, said that some one had "hurt" her, but when pressed for details merely responded "Never mind."

Robbery Not the Motive.

Robbery, apparently, was not the motive for the crime, as on the table at the foot of the bed in plain view was a small box containing a pocket-book well filled with greenbacks and other money. There was a bloody imprint of a hand on the piano lid in the parlor and a window in that room was open. It is supposed the assailant escaped through this window.

When found, Mrs. Dennis was clad in her night garments and was in bed under the cover. She was partly conscious, although she has been unconscious most of the time since. The detective said that several blows of the piano stool must have been wielded with considerable force and that there was no outcry, at least after the first blow. Her groans, however, were heard by a woman on the third floor and in the adjoining house. About the same time policeman Livingston and a watchman who were two blocks away, heard what they believed to be a woman's scream. Mrs Dennis is about 47 years old, and is one of the best known women in business here. She is the widow of Walter Dennis, an actor.

MARINE DISASTER

British Barque Wrecked—Several of the Crew Were Drowned.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ABERDEEN, WASH., Dec. 10—Wednesday night the British bark Pinmore, master Jameson, owned by Clink Brothers, of Greenock, Scotland, bound from Santa Rosalia, Mexico, to Portland, in ballast, went into the surf at the mouth of Raft river, north of Gray's harbor. The crew of thirty abandoned the ship and took to the boats, one of which was capsized shortly after leaving the vessel, and six were drowned. The other boat reached the shore safely after being out for thirty-six hours. One man died from exposure.

WARM WIRELETS.

A bill was introduced yesterday in the Senate by Mr. Clay, providing for the repeal of the bankruptcy law.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Senator J. C. S Blackburn, of Kentucky, and Mrs. Mary E. Blackburn of Washington, D. C.

Senator Martin yesterday introduced a bill for a memorial bridge across the Potomac river at Washington at a cost of five million dollars.

Schaefer defeated Slosson for first honors in the international billiard championship tournament at New York last night by a score of 500 to 400.

Secretary Gage states that by direction of the President he has requested the resignation of Wilbur F. Wakeman, the appraiser at the port of New York.

At a session of the privy council King Edward definitely fixed June 26, 1902, as the date for his coronation. It was also decided that Parliament will meet January 16th.

Arthur Price, a negro, was captured in Monroe county, Ga., and brought to Macon jail. He confessed that he killed Mrs. R. J. Roland in South Macon last Wednesday.

The U. S. Treasury officials have decided to anticipate the interest due on January 1st and next Saturday United States Treasurer Roberts will mail checks covering interest amounting to $4,665,742.

The reports that Herbert Marx would be prosecuted by the Westmoreland, Va., county authorities for killing Taylor and Heflin and wounding Stiff is denied by correspondents in that section.

The three-masted schooner Joel Cook, with lumber from Savannah, Ga., arrived at Baltimore yesterday morning, after ten days of the worst weather at sea that Captain Frazier has experienced in forty-seven years.

The Exposition Company at Charleston, S. C, has made an engagement with F. N. Innes for his full band during the month of January. The engagement will open with the entire organization and a chorus of 500 voices.

The town of Wayne, the county seat of Wayne county, W. Va., was almost wiped out by a fire, which broke out shortly after Monday midnight and raged until after daylight in the morning. The losses will aggregate $40,000, with little insurance.

A Macon, Ga., dispatch says: Following the failure of the Barnesville Manufacturing Company, the Hanson-Crowley Company and the Barnesville Savings Bank, a receiver has been appointed for the New South Savings Bank.

The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of murder in the first degree against R. D. Coffman, the justice of the peace who shot and killed Rev. J. W. Bradford, a Methodist minister, at Brookside, Ala., Sunday. A preliminary hearing will be given Coffman Monday.

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EXPLOSION IN A STEEL MILL

Shook the Earth for Miles Around Wrecked Buildings — Injured Nine Men—Two Perhaps Fatally.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SHARON, PA., Dec. 10.—An explosion that shook the earth for miles around, shattered windows in hundreds of houses at South Sharon, moved adjacent buildings from their foundations and caused the injury of nine men, two perhaps fatally, occurred at the Sharon Steel Company's plant to-day.

The explosion occurred in the casting department of the "Pig mill." The metal was being poured from the ladle into the casting machine when it came in contact with some water, which caused a blast that was felt a great distance. The casting house was completely wrecked, and large strips of heavy corrugated iron beams and other materials were hurled hundreds of yards by the explosion. The casting machine and conveyor were damaged almost beyond repair. A part of the conveyor was blown several hundred feet, while not a vestage of the iron roof of the mill remains. Windows in the office of the Steel Company, on Broadway, several hundred yards away from the explosion were broken and in Sharon and South Sharon the shock was felt like an earthquake. Secretary Whitla, of the steel company, states to-night that he was unable to give an explanation of the cause of the accident.

IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Kitchener's Report of the Week's Work. Boers Still in Force in Cape Colony.

By Cable to the Morning Star

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Pretoria, dated Monday, Dec. 9th, reports that the result of the week's work is 31 Boers killed, 352 made prisoners, 35 surrendered and quantities of supplies captured.

By advancing the line of blockhouses in the eastern part of the Transvaal Lord Kitchener is now able for the first time to carry out systematic and continuous operations in the vicinity of Ermelo, Bethel and Carolina. Columns have cleared the southeastern districts of the Orange river colony and are now operating northward of the Thabanchu line.

The Boers are still in force in the extreme west of Cape Colony. They are there commanded by Maritz, who recently attacked Tontellboschop. The Boers were driven off and Maritz was severely wounded.

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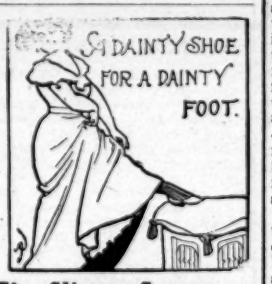
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On North Front Street, near Postoffice, is the scene and centre of great activity. Our Christmas goods are all spread out on sale and Santa Claus has laid in a supply of everything for the Holiday trade.

Old Santa has made his headquarters with us. He will start out from here to fill all the stockings in the town. We have Toys, Toys, Toys, that represent everything in the toy line. What you want ask for it; it will be found. We have all kinds of Candies from 8c to 25c per pound. We have fireworks. Roman candles, shoot four times, for 8c a dozen; torpedoes at 1c a box. All kinds and sizes of fireworks to sell cheap.

Five hundred new Umbrellas for presents, with Silver and Pearl handles. Just received three hundred pieces fine Fur that we are selling, practically speaking, at less than half price. A fine Collarette at 69 cents. A Fur Cape for 98c. And everthing in Fur as high as you want to go. A Fur Collarette and Muff for $6.50. A real Fur, with head, eyes and tail, for 98c. One hundred beautiful new Silk, Satin and Velvet waists. Waists that are worth $3, $4 and $5 each, in black, all sizes, at $2 each. Beautiful Silk Skirts, best Taffeta goods, for $5.00 and $7.50 each. Ladies fine all wool Homespun Skirts for $2, worth $3.50. Fine Flannel waists at $1. Mercerized Satteen waists at 48c. Striped underskirts worth $1, now 48c. One hundred and fifty black mercerized Underskirts at from 50c to $1.19. Ladies Cloaks—all styles, all prices.

A beautiful Broadcloth Cloak with pearl buttons in tan, black and castor, worth $10, my price $6.50. Beautiful Cloaks in nice new styles at $5. A few very handsome Cloaks that sold for $15 and $18, we are now selling out for $10 and $12.50—tan and castor only.

Our Men and Boys' Clothing Department is receiving great attention now—every day we are adding new value—new goods coming in all the time. We are selling $8 Suits for $5 and $10 Suits for $7.50. We have just bought to-day from factory all they had of lines of very fine Gentlemen Suits. Suits that retail for $15 and $20, my price on them is $10 and $12 50. A new line of Raglan Overcoats, strictly $10 coats, for $7.50. Just received, twenty fine Tricot Coats, regular $10 garments. I am closing them out at $5, saving you half and giving you a good coat. A Beaver Coat, full length and full size, $4.50 each. A Youth's very heavy coat with storm collar, for $1.98. A few small boys' Reefers cheap. A couple of 12-year old boy's Overcoats, worth $6, for $4.

In our Millinery Department we are making up a special line of Velvet Hats, trimmed in silk and nice fancy feathers. Hats that we sold for $2 we can now sell 100 of them at $1 each. A big drive in all Silk Ribbons. No. 40, all silk, for 10c, worth 20c per yard.

In our Dress Goods Department, on first floor, we are doing an immense business. We are selling goods, and why? Because we have what the people want, and everybody needs, at the lowest price of anybody in North Carolina. Best Pee Dee Plaids for 4½c per yard. Sea Island Shirting, fine grade, at 5c per yard. Yard-wide Sheeting at 4c per yard. A splendid Glass Lantern for 10c.

A big line of Ladies' Mackintosh Coats we want to sell cheap. 10,000 Christmas Cards and Calendars of all kinds, from 1c up to $1 each; 500 Paper-bound Novels, worth 10c and 20c, my price 5c each.

We punch your card for cash purchases and give you a valuable present free—chairs, tables, china or glassware. Trade at the Racket Store and get 100 cents worth for $1.00.

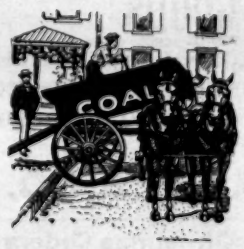
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